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50 PERISH, SOME AMERICANS. IN CHANNEL PACKET ATTACK; 4 U.S. HORSEMEN LOST ON LINER

Three Philadelphians Among Passengers on Sussex; One, Miss Elizabeth Baldwin, Reported Badly Hurt. Torpedoed, Say Survivors

Dominion Liner Englishman, Bound to Portland, Me., Sunk Off British Coast-Consul Armstrong, at Bristol, Cables That Vessel Was Victim "Presumably of a Submarine"

Fifty-four persons, including several Americans, perished in disasters to two ships in the war zone.

The Channel liner Sussex was torpedoed, passengers say, while bound from Folkestone to Dieppe. Between 20 and 30 Americans were on the ship. An early dispatch listed Miss Elizabeth Baldwin and her father, of Philadelphia, as missing. Later messages said Miss Baldwin had suffered a broken leg and that her father and mother were taken into Boulogne.

The Dominion liner Englishman, bound from Avonmouth, England, to Portland, Me., was torpedoed off the English coast. Four Americans, three of them horsemen, are missing, according to

messages received at the State Department from American Conul Armstrong, at Bristol. Washington views the new undersea warfare with grave alarm. Secretary Lansing has cabled Consuls in England and France for full particulars.

FOUR AMERICANS MISSING

Common, Lawrence, Mass.

FROM DOMINION LINE SHIP.

U. S. CONSUL'S REPORT SAYS

WASHINGTON, March 25 - The Do-

P. BUCKLEY, horseman, address un

Consul Armstrong reported that 23 sur-vivors have been landed at "a British

BRISTOL, March 25. — Dominion line steamer Englishman torpedoed;

time and place unknown here. Sur-vivors brought into northern British port, 33 so far; believed saved 60, more

reported as possibly rescued, leaving shortage of 18. Folowing Americans were on board: Peter McDonald, horse foreman, 58 Cherry street, Boston; P. Buckley and

known here; George MacDonald, trim

mer, 37 Common, Lawrence, Mass.

Their names are not included in list of \$3 so far rescued. Englishman was bound for Port-land, Me; left Avonmouth 21st inst.

Englishman was torpedoed, but that the

Nine Women Flee From Fire

HAVERHILL, Mass., March 25.—Nine women were driven into the snow and a

freman injured by a fire which destroyed

the Woolworth 5-and-10-cent store and a clothing store early today. The loss was

M. A. Burke, horse

M. A. BURKE, address unknown.

THREE AMERICANS ASSERT THEY SAW TORPEDO AS THEY STOOD ON DECK OF SUSSEX

LONDON, March 25 .- At least 50 persens, some of them Americans, lost their lyes in the explosion which damaged the Channel liner Sussex off the French coast, according to survivors who were landed at Dover and who reached London this afternon.

It was declared that the Susex was attacked by a German submarine, the look-eut on the vessel seeing the wake of the torpedo as it sped toward the vessel. Some of the survivors put the list of missing at considerably more than 50. The dead include a number of women and

Among the survivors here were a num-ber of Americans. They said that there had been between 20 and 30 Americans on the ship when it was attacked.

SOME OF AMERICANS ABOARD Other Americans on the Sussex in-

Tingle Culbertson, of Sewickley, Pa., a suburb of Pittsburgh. Mrs. Dorothy Hilton and Miss Edna

Mrs Gertrude Warren, of St. Louis.
W. G. Penfield, a student of Oxford.
Miss Alice Ruz, said to be from Colo-

Edward Huxley, president of the United States Rubber Export Company. Francis E. Drake, head of the company's

SURVIVOR TELLS STORY. John H. Hearley, United States Press staff correspondent, who was aboard the Sussex, gave the following account of the

Three American passengers agree that they saw a torpedo.

It is estimated that 50 of the 380 pas-

sengers lost their lives, though it is pos-sible some were picked up and taken into other ports.

LIFEBOATS BLOWN OFF. The Sussex left Folkestone shortly after soon yesterday, under excellent weather conditions, and was nearing the French port of Dieppe when she was struck. I was conversing with other Americans among my fellow-passengers when an ex-plosion suddenly shook the whole ship. One of the Sussex's lifeboats was blown

one of the Sussex's lifeboats was slown off by the force of the explosion and splinters sent hurtling high into tehair. At the same time a fountain of water dashed over the side of the ship.

It was about 4:30 when the Sussex was strong the strong time of the ship. struck. Many passengers were standing near the rail, watching the outline of the French coast, when the explosion rocked

Several were hurled violently into the water, and it was among these that the casualties occurred. Boats were put over the side at once. but I was told that several persons who

were gathered near the rall previous to the explosion were not picked up. FEARED SHIP WOULD SINK.

The Sussex listed badly immediately after the explosion, and it was feared for few minutes that she was about to sink As the steamship settled panic began sheard, particularly among the women and children. Officers ran about calming the passengers, and in a few minutes the vessel appeared to right herself.

The survivors remained aboard the out of them were taken off by the Maria heresa. We were landed here early

Many of the passengers were wounded by the explosion. One of them, Miss Baldwin, daughter of a prominent American resident of Paris, was seriously hurt. Her father and mother were taken to Boulogne.

MANY WOUNDED. explosion occurred forward of the

ship, wounding many persons. The wireon it was impossible to summon help wireless. The Sussex drifted in the or wireless. The Sussex drifted to Channel for hours, signaling in vain for help. Passengers who were wounded by firing splinters were cared for as well as ie by a surgeon aboard the ship. When the Maria Therese bore down

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THE WEATHER

FORECAST

Philadelphia and vicinityartly cloudy and warmer tonight; bunday unsettled and probably showsee; gentle easterly winds.

LOST AND FOUND

FAMOND 15 karat lost March 18, but sec. 180. Return Lawrence Co., 615 Chestaut. 181 Lost fex textur, white body black head. Losi for legrier, white body black head, was said over each eye; anwers to Mac. Other Lost and Found Ads on Puss 12

GERMAN GUNS FIRE VERDUN, BERLIN SAYS

French Make Surprise Attack in Argonne, Enter Trench—Take Prisoners

BIG GUN DUELS CONTINUE

Paris Believes Crown Prince Now Plans Flanking Move Against Verdun

BERLIN, March 25. Verdun has been set on fire by the German artillery, it was announced today by the War Office.

Elsewhere on the front there were no events of unusual importance. Many shells have been thrown into

Verdun by the big guns of the Germans to prevent transportation of troops and ammunition to the firing

PARIS March 25. Artillery duels were in progress all night in the Weever district, the French War office announced today. On the Verdun front, however, there eas no attacks on either side of the Meuse

The text of the communique follows: In the Argonne a surprise attack upon an enemy trench at Courtes Chausses enable us to capture some prisoners and to inflict some lesses on

West and east of the Meuse the night passed quietly. In the Woevre region there was an artillery duel in the region of Moulainville. No important development occurred

minion liner Englishman, 5257 tons, three days out from Avonmouth, Eng., has on the rest of the front, Shifting their attack to the west of erdun, the Germans struck at the French ositions at Vauquois, in the Argonne, acbeen torpedoed and sunk, presumably by a submarine, and four Americans are among the missing, according to a cable-gram to the State Department today from cording to the official report usued in Paris last night. American Consul Armstrong at Bristol,

Military writers recognize that these The four Americans unaccounted for Argonne operations are as much a part of the general plan against Verdun as the more obvious movements further east, since the ability of the Germans to cut the French line here would mean a flanking movement against the for-PETER McDONALD, horse foreman, 58 Cherry street, Boston. GEORGE McDONALD, horseman, 37 tress of Verdun itself.

MRS, KUGLER ASKS ALIMONY

Petitions Court for Allowance and Counsel Fees

port." The name of the port is not given.
Sixty, he cabled, are believed to have been saved, which leaves a possible shortage, according to Consul Armstrong, of 18.

The State Department gave out the text of Consul Armstrong's cablegram. It follows: Congressman John R. K. Scott, on behalf of Mrs. Mattle B. Kugler, against whom divorce proceedings were instituted some time ago by William B. Kugler, today presented a petition to Common Pleas Court, No. 2, asking for an allow-ance by Mr. Kugler for counsel fees and alimony for the wife, pending the pro-

Mrs. Kugler sets out in the petition that she needs the allowances to defend the case and that her husband, who holds a large interest in Kugler's Restaurant year. It is also stated that his holdings in the restaurant company amount to about \$20,000. On what grounds the libel-lent bases his plea for a divorce has not been disclosed but it is understood that the charge is one of desertion.

CORONER WARNS PARENTS

land, Me; left Avonmouth 21st inst.
Transported horses to St. Nazarre,
France, for Southwestern Trading
Company, New York, Was not on
Government business. No further
particulars at present available
Bristol. ARMSTRONG.
Secretary of State Lansing was at a
cost to account for the statement that the
Carglishman was tornedgod, but that the Admonition Attends Exoneration of Couple Whose Child Died of Neglect A warning to parents who, while under the influence of liquor, neglect their children was issued today by Coroner Knight, when he exonerated Robert and Anna Lee time and place were "unknown here." He expected further reports would come, but if these did not clear up the situation he from causing the death of their month-old baby as it was smothered to death while both father and mother were drunk. expected to request further data from the American officials and ultimately from foreign Governments, if necessary. Secretary Lansing has frequently said a "Leave liquor alone and take care of your remaining child," said the Coroner, after Miss Katherine Berg, a city nurse, had testified that the couple were good to case like this is even more serious than the torpedoing of a liner on which Amer-ican passengers are killed or placed in jeopardy, since Americans like those on their children when sober but neglectful when drunk. The parents, sobered by their baby's death, sobbed during the hearing and premised they would take care of board the Englishman were pursuing their line of peaceful business and, therefore, have an unassailable right to travel on Nellie, their remaining child, who is 2

Conviction of Dealer Upheld The conviction and sentence to two years in Trenton State Prison of Isidore Glass, a furniture dealer, by the Federal District Court of New Jersey, for con-cealing assets from his trustee in bank-

GORIZIA BOMBARDATA DAI CANNONI ITALIANI

Due Villaggi ed Un Costone Occupati sulla Grande Strada delle Dolomiti

Il commandante interinale delle forze italiane operanti contro l'Austria annuncia nel suo rapporto di leri sera, pubblicato dai Ministero (taliano della Guerra, che le truppe italiane hanno occupato, durante una bufera di neve, nuove posizioni nella regione dell'aito Cordevole, e scoe il coa-tone nord-orientale del Sasso di Mezzodi' che is spinge verso la valle di Pestort. e nella valte del Cordevole i villaggi di Val-lazza e di Ruaz. Queste posizioni sono tutte nella zona del Coi di Lana e sulla strada dell Dolomiti.

Un comunicato ufficiale austriaco dice che gli italiani hombardarono iori la testa di ponte di Gorizia e le opere fortificate attorno a Rovereto, ma nulla di clo an-nuncia il comunicato ufficiale italiano che so riferioce alla situazione nella giornata di giovedio.

The Admiralty's statement follows:

"An engagement occurred February 29 in the North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between the armed German raider Greif, disguissed as a North Sea between

ruptcy, was today upheid by Judge Woolley, of the United States Circuit Court of Appeals here.

BRITISH AND GERMAN SHIPS SUNK IN BATTLE

Raider and Armed Merchant Ship Clash in North Sea. Both Lost

LONDON, March 25.-The German commerce raider Greif and the armed mer-chant ship Alcanatra have been sunk in the North Sea in a naval battle, it was announced today by the Admiraity. The British losses were five officers and The engagement took place on Febru-

ary 29.

The German raider had been disguised as a Novegian merchantman. After the fight have German officers and 115 men were picked up and made prisoners. The Alcantara was a vessel of 15.511 tons gross, hailing from Belfast. The Grelf is not listed in Lloyd's marine reg-

The Admiralty's statement follows:

TERRIERS "TREE" A NEGRO

He Hangs to Rafter While Animals Watchfully Wait-Then He's Arrested

How long Joseph Jackson, a negro, bung to a rafter with three victous fox terriers waiting below he does not know; but it seemed like a century.

He is thankful today he was finally discovered by a human being, even if did result in his being arrested to face did result in his being arrested to face a charge of robbery. Jackson, who lives at 508 South Juniper street, was found in the feed stable of Charles Wilt & Son, 1266-8 South street, by the proprietor late hast night. He was banging resignedly to a rafter while the three dogs watchfully waited for him to drop. Wilt left Jackson hanging for another five minutes while he summoned Policemen Connolly and Wirtschafter, Jackson had a bag of lost the rolles say. a bag of loot, the police say.

WILLARD 2 TO 1 **FAVORITE OVER** MORAN TONIGHT

Heavyweights Each Confident of "Bringing Home Bacon" in N. Y. Battle

GATE RECEIPTS \$180,000

By ROBERT W. MAXWELL

NEW YORK., March 25 .- Two perfect strangers will step into the ring at Madison Square Garden tonight, they will be_called to the centre of the stage by Charlie White, master of ceremonies, and, in full view of the audience, Mr. White will speak as follows:

"Mr. Jess Willard, it is my pleasure to introduce to you Mr. Frank Moran. Mr. Moran has questioned your right to the title of heavyweight champion of the world, and will endeavor to take it from you within the next 30 minutes. You have my permission to go as far as you like, but don't bite!"

Thereupon Mr. Willard will grin and extend a huge paw, take Moran by the hand, and say, "Pleasedta meetcha!" And Mr. Moran will shake Mr. Willard's luge paw, and murmur: "Pleasedta meetcha."

They will not indulge in persiflage or inquire as to each other's health. They will not discuss the weather. Instead, they will back off to their corners, still facing each other, and Moran will turn to lke Dorgan and say: "Ain't he an awful lookin' guy? He's the biggest bloke I have ever saw in my

life. Hope he ain't as bad as he looks. And Willard will put Tom Jones on his bald head, and casually remark:

Tawm, whadye think of that little runt, what has the nerve to fite ME for the charpeenship? Guess I'll kill him's soon's I kin."

This advance stuff is not the least bit overdrawn, for Frank Moran and Jess Willard never have seen each other. Each knows the other's history, habits and disposition, but they have never exchanged a word. Moran has seen Willard perform in the moving pictures, but Jess knows his opponent only from photographs that have appeared in the newspapers. Yet they have been training hard for weeks to get litto perfect physical condition for their first meeting, to mumble "pleasedta meetchs," and then try to batter the other to helplessness with their padded fists.

While they are doing this, some 15,000 ladies and gentlemen from every State in the Union, from Canada and Mexico, will pay approximately \$150,000 to witness the

The city of New York has been laid low with the fight fever. The big battle tonight is the sole topic of conversation and, although language flows freely on both sides, little money has been placed on the result. Willard is a 2 to 1 favorite to win on points, but few bets have been

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"I EXPECT TO GO TO CHAIR," SAYS **DOCTOR WAITE**

Only Bought Poison Which Killed Peck

"WOMAN" TELLS STORY

NEW YORK, March 25.—Dr. Arthur W. Waite may be indicted early next week for the murder of bis millionaire father-in-iaw, John E. Peck, of Grand Rapids, Mich.

Waite still insists that he bought the arsenic from which Peck died at Peck's request, but District Attorney Swann refuses to believe that story.

The young dentist, who is now a prisoner at Bellevis Hospital, fully realizes his peril.

"I expect to go to the chair," he said.

"I expect to go to the chair." he said.
"I'm sorry I didn't die from the dope I
took I'm sirk of life. I don't care
whether I "live or die."
The "woman of mystery" in the case
has been found to be Mrs. Margaret Horton, a singer. She declared her belief
in Walte's innocence, and at the same
time explained her presence in Walte's
apartment in the Plans Hotel
"I became acquainted with Doctor Walte

apartment in the Plans Hotel
"I became acquainted with Doctor Walter, the Berlitz School," said Mrs. Horton,
"and afterward we continued our studies in French and music together at the Plaza. I never knew that Loctor Waltehad registered my name as "Ars. Walters."
My husband knew of my friendship for Doctor Walte, and also about our studies further and offered no shieriton know. ogether and offered no objection, knowing the innocence of our relations."

Doctor Waite is now in Bellevue Hospital, where every precaution has been taken to guard against his committing suicide. Although his mind is normal, he is still weak from the effects of drogs he took on the day of his arrest.

Overwhelmed when she learned on her arrival from Grand Rapids that her son is a prisoner charged with murder. Mrs. arrival rison Grand Hands that her son he a prisoner charged with murder. Mrs. Warren W. Walte, mother of Doctor Walte, is prostrated and confined to her bed in the home of her son Frank in the Brons. Mr. and Mrs. Warren W. Walte Give him a chance and I feel sure that

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U. S. BOLSTERS **BORDER GUARD**; VILLA ESCAPES

Fear of Marauders on Mexican Line Calls for Added Forces

OUTLAWS IN MOUNTAINS

Villistas Reported to Have Fled to Sierra Madres From El Oso

DOUGLAS, March 25 .- The story that three Americans were killed by bandits near Columbus recently was denounced as a canard by U. S. army officers here today.

Censorship is threatened in Douglas if the publication of such reports is not stopped.

Gen. Frederick Funston has dispatched stronger forces to guard the Mexican border. This was made necessary by the menacing advances of marauding bands along the frontier. No intimation is made that raids are feared from Carranza troops.

It is reported that Carranza troops plan to enter the United States in pursuit of cattle thieves who have fled to this side for safety.

Francisco Villa, hunted bandit leader, followed his "off again, on again" policy today and is now reported to have escaped the Carranzista and American troops supposed to have had him trapped at El Oso, near Namiquipa.

El Paso dispatches say the outlaw chief fied to the Sierra Madre Mountains, taking with him only a small band and abandoning a detachment of 200 of his followers, now believed unable to get through the cordon of soldiers.

Army headquarters at San Anonio and Washington officials had no information of a reported battle between the Villistas and either the American or Carranza troops.

Wireless messages from General

Pershing, who has two columns of

forces in the region about Namiquipa, where Villa is said to have been surrounded, fail to mention any clash. Dispatches tell of the burning by bandits of the town of Janos, to the

rear of General Pershing's forces, and the murder of three Americans on a ranch just south of the New Mexico border. President Wilson is expected to take some step in an effort to stop the

wild reports of Carranzista revolts. which the Administration regards as a plot to force the United States to intervene in Mexico. All official information from the border and the interior indicates that there is no up-

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PRESIDENT PLANS **BLOW AT JINGOES** ON MEXICO CRISIS

Prisoner Still Insists He Aims to Stop Wild Rumors Designed to Cause Intervention

PLOT TO EMBROIL U. S.

Reports of Carranzista Revolts Declared to Be Grossly Exaggerated

WASHINGTON, March 25 .- President Wilson, embarrassed by what are termed in Administration circles "outrageously exaggerated reports on conditions in Mexico." was expected today to call upon the people of the country to discredit other official reports emanating from the

The appeal, it is expected, will be issued through Secretary of State Lansing. Decision to put a stop, if possible, to the "systematic disseminating of misinformation" was made at the President's Cabinet

Some of the President's advisers, how-ver, consider the matter of such imporfance that they urged him to issue a formal statement at the White House instead of having it come from the State Department. Secretary Lansing, it is said, believes this would be the best way to convince the country that caution and polse must be maintained if the United States is to pursue its expedition after Villa unembarrassed by a general uprising

in Mexico.

The official reports read before the meeting were diametrically opposed to runners emanating from the border that Curranza troops were revolting by the thousands, Americans were in danger and numerous other reports, all of which were

defined as exaggerations and deliberate attempts to force this country to intervene in Mexico.

Regular reports are being made by Secret Service and Justice Department agents to the State Department, and it is believed the findings of these agents have been such as to warrant the issuance by the Administration of a warning to the people of the country that plots to force intervention are syident.

QUICK NEWS

VON BUELOW TO REPLACE HOLLWEG, ITALY HEARS

ROME, March 25 .- The Idea Nazionale announces that the Kaiser has summoned Prince Von Buelow to headquarters and will offer the former German Ambassador to Italy the post of Imperial Chancellor, now held by Doctor Von Bethmann-Hollweg. According to this newspaper, the political crisis in Germany involves all members of the ministry, and few of them will be retained.

MRS. BALDWIN, OF PHILADELPHIA, REPORTED DEAD

LONDON, March 25 .- Mrs. Baldwin, of Philadelphia, an American woman, is reported to have died from wounds received when the Channel liner Sussex was damaged by an explosion off the French

TRANSPORT HANCOCK ORDERED TO GALVESTON

WASHINGTON, March 25 .- The Navy Department today ordered the transport Hancock from Key West, Fla., to Galvesten, Tex. Officials indicated that the transport would be held at Galveston for any emergency along the castern coast of Mexico. Four hundred marines are being held in readiness at New Orleans. They could be rushed to Galveston by rail on short notice to embark on the Hancock.

CARDINAL SERAFINI SUCCEEDS GOTTI AS PREFECT

ROME, March 25.—Cardinal Dominic Scrafini has been appointed prefect of the Propaganda, succeeding Cardinal Gotti. Cardinal Serfafini was born in Rome in 1852 and was created a Cardinal on May 25, 1914.

250 BLUEJACKETS HERE FROM NEW YORK

Two hundred and fifty blue jackets arrived at the Philadelphia Navy Yard today from New York to take the places of men who were drafted from the Atlantic reserve fleet to sail on the Hancock. They came from the cruiser Washington, which was recently put out of commission. Naval officers remarked that the transfer of men here showed a lack of men to man all ships. They, intimated that if there were enough men, ships would not have to be retired

POLICE LIEUTENANT BAUSWINE REINSTATED

Lieutenant George Bausewine, suspended several weeks ago by Director Wilson for "disobedience of orders," was reinstated today by the Director, pending final disposition of th ecase. This was taken in police circles as an indication that the storm centre of policedom had settled his difference with politicians in his district and would go back on the force permanently. will return to his old district, 12th and Pine streets, this afternoon, taking the place of Lieutenant Bennett, who will be shifted to the policeboat King.

NEARLY 200 WANT TO TEACH IN NIGHT SCHOOLS Nearly 200 applicants for positions as teachers in the boys' high schools of the city appeared for examinations, which were held today at the Central High School. The applicants want places teaching chemistry, Latin, English mathematics and the other high school courses. Only three, however, aspired to become physical directors, though four are needed for the city high schools,

according to William H. Stecher, direction of physical education.

FRENCH AIRMEN SHELL GERMANS ON GREEK BORDER SALONICA, March 25.-A French aerial squadron today bombarded the German camps north of the Greek border. Heavy damage was caused by the aeroplanes. A French aviator fought a duel with a German 5000 feet in the air. Both machines were so badly damaged that the pilots had to descend

German and Bulgarian troops are erecting heavy fortifications along the neutral zone and are mounting large guns on the heights of Ovatepe and

ANOTHER SCARLET FEVER CASE AT U. OF P.

Another case of scarlet fever has developed at the University of Pennsylvania since 17-year-old John F. Bacon, a Wharton School freshman, ran away to his home upstate the other day when he became ill with it. The new patient is Raymond T. Granville, a senior dentist, and he has been placed in the Municipal Hospital. The students who live in the house he does at 3710 Spruce street may not attend classes for ten days.

DEFEATED GERMANS RETREAT TO AFRICAN WILDS

LONDON, March 25.-By a further advance against the Germans in East Africa, General Jan Christian Smuts and the army of the Union of South Africa have driven the Germans from the whole Kilima N'Jaro region, according to an official report issued last night. Apparently they are now in control of the entire rich grazing country of the Masai Upland, the most valuable region of the German colony. The Germans, it is reported, are retreating through the wilds of the Pangam River in an effort to reach the coast.

BRITISH TO PROBE DELAYS TO NEUTRAL SHIPS

LONDON, March 25.—As a result of complaints from the United States and other neutrals of the delays which shipping suffers from the operation of the blockade, the Government has appointed a committee of inquiry with authority to make all necessary recommendations for reforms, if any are found necessary, The official announcement states that the committee will see if there is any avoidable delay caused by the methods, hitherto adopted, for dealing with ships and cargoes brought into British ports since the blockade was inaugurated. The nembers of the committee are Viscount Peel, chairman; Sir Kenneth S. Anderson, Benjamin A. Cohen and K. Wallace Elmslie. Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of War Trade, announces that no red tape will be permitted to stand in the com-

SCANDINAVIANS PLAN TEMPORARY POLITICAL UNION

WASHINGTON, March 25.-Information received here concerning the conferences that have been in progress in Copenhagen between the Governments of Denmark, Sweden and Norway with respect to questions growing out of the great war indicates that the commercial arrangements contemplated at the inception of the conferences will be extended so as to provide for a temporary political union of the Scandinavian countries. The three northern nations are considering with the prospect of affirmative action an agreement whereby if one of the three becomes involved in the European conflict the others will steadfastly refuse to join with the enemies of that nation. One important outcome of the conferences was an agreement that the Scandinavian Governments should take the initiative whenever the time was opportune in seeking to bring other neutral countries to join with them in arrangements to protect the legal rights of

Zapp and Birsky Discuss the Submarine Controversy and the Superiority of German Bombs on Page 5 of This Issue